Wants—Male Help.

WANTED—A German Compositor at the rear of 167 Clark-st. Apply at 8 o'clock.

WANTED—By S. H. Cottrell, over 100 and the immediate wants of every family in the city. Apply at 167 Clark-st.

WANTED—An active salesman, possessing small capital, who can assist at 192 Clark-st. from 9 to 11 A. M. Call early.

WANTED—A good barber for the city. Apply at 21 Wells-st.

WANTED—A man on a farm, one that can be well recommended. Inquire at 167 Clark-st.

WANTED—Three stout boys or young men to learn the Baking Trade. Apply at 167 Clark-st.

WANTED—A young man who has been to the country for the last two years. Inquire at 167 Clark-st.

WANTED—An honest, reliable and able young man, used to merchant's business that can furnish first-class references, of good character, to act as salesman in a wholesale house in this city. Address, in own handwriting, stating where last employed, and where can be seen for three days, A. B. C., Tribune office.

WANTED—A first-class salesman for retail dry goods store. Call this morning at 167 Clark-street, 3rd floor.

WANTED—A lad from 14 to 16 years old, to learn the Jewelry business. Inquire at 167 Clark-street, 3rd floor.

Wants—Female Help.

WANTED—Flannel Shirt Makers—The work will be given out to those desiring it, on application at 167 Clark-street.

HOUSE SERVANTS.

WANTED—A girl to do chamber work and sewing; a servant to assist in the care of children; a girl to do chamber work and sewing in a family of two. Apply at 167 Clark-street.

WANTED—A first-class cook, one who thoroughly understands her business can find a permanent place by calling at 167 Clark-st.

WANTED—A servant girl for general housework. References required. Call at 917 Wabash-av.

WANTED—A tidy smart young girl to come to housework and to take care of children; references required. Call at 1180 Wabash-av.

WANTED—A good girl for general housework; none need apply unless willing to do English cooking. Apply to 3036 WARD, 19 Cottage Grove-av.

WANTED—Immediately—A girl to do general housework in a small family. Must be willing to go to the country. Apply at 372 Clark-street.

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WANTED—A smart girl to do general housework in a small family. Apply at 1180 Cottage Grove-av., 1st Lenadale-st., by train, to Lenadale.

SITUATION—At 622 Wabash-av., a thoroughly experienced girl to do general housework in a small family.

WANTED—A good girl to cook, wash and iron; one who can be highly recommended. 1230 Wabash-av.

WANTED—A good, reliable English girl to do general housework in a small family. Inquire at 1180 Cottage Grove-av.

WANTED—A chamber maid and second girl. None need call unless they advertise and bring satisfactory references. Apply at 1180 Wabash-av.

Employment Agents.

WANTED—Bookkeepers, salesmen, agents, canvassers, conductors, brakemen, firemen, porters, laborers, etc., to call at the Employment Agency, 167 Clark-st., 3d floor. S. H. COTTRELL. Tel. 1709

Wanted—Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Dr. H. Jocelyn, Astrologer, 167 Clark-st., Chicago. Parties desiring to consult him on business, health, marriage, absent friends, etc., will find it to their interest to call at once.

WANTED—Employment—All a day and evening paper. Chicago Tel. Co. T. GARDNER, Manager.

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WANTED—To Rent—A small length of shelving, 8 feet high. Address, stating price, P. O. Box 1,078.

Wants—Real Estate.

WANTED—To buy 2 to 4 vacant lots south of Madison-st. and west of Ashland-av. Address P. O. Box 94 Washington, D. C.

WANTED—About 15 acres improved land, with house, etc., near Chicago. Address, stating price, P. O. Box 1,078.

To Rent—House.

TO RENT—A new and elegant 2-story frame house, with 8 rooms and basement, in Hyde Park, on Lake Shore Drive. Inquire at 2805 Indiana-st., cor. 29th.

TO RENT—Brick house, No. 1008 Michigan-av. Inquire at No. 1006 same.

TO RENT—House, No. 1007 Michigan-av. Inquire at No. 1006 same.

TO RENT—A two-story brick house, in good repair. Inquire at 79 Sedgwick-st.

TO RENT—A desirable cottage on Model Farm, 5 miles west of Chicago. Inquire at 91 MARSHALL, cor. 9th, Lake View.

TO RENT—2 South Morgan-st., near Madison, 2-story brick dwellings, 8 rooms each, with all modern conveniences. Inquire at 45 Fulton-st.

TO RENT—A frame cottage, with 6 rooms and basement, on Lincoln-av., near Wellington-st. Inquire at 104 Lincoln-av.

TO RENT—Several dwellings and suites of rooms, with all modern conveniences. Inquire at 104 LAKE-st.

To Rent—Rooms.

TO RENT—A splendid front room, with or without board, for gentlemen. Apply at 1180 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—Upper part of house, containing 7 rooms and bath, at 259 Clybourn-av.

TO RENT—Rooms, unfurnished or furnished, at 83 Lumber-st., between Madison and Monroe-sts.

TO RENT—Rooms, furnished and unfurnished, at 1230 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—A large, handsomely furnished sleeping room, at 1127 Prairie-av.

TO RENT—A good house, on moderate terms, to a small family, at 1180 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—Furnished Rooms, at 1180 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—Two handsomely furnished rooms at 1230 Wabash-av. Apply at house No. 2.

To Rent—Stores, Offices, &c.

TO RENT—The second and fourth floors of 167 Lake-st., with or without steam power. Apply at 167 Clark-st.

TO RENT—Third, fourth and fifth floors of 167 Lake-st., with or without steam power. Apply at 167 Clark-st.

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TO RENT—Office, 21 Lumberman's Exchange. Apply at 167 Clark-st.

Real Estate—Country.

FOR SALE—360 acre farm, 21 miles west of Chicago, on Galena Division of C. & N. W. R. R. Inquire at 167 Clark-st.

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Situations Wanted.

FEMALES.

SITUATION—Wanted—A French lady, who thoroughly understands the French and English languages, desires a situation either as governess or companion to a lady or family going to Europe. Address "M. L. C." Tribune office.

SITUATION—Wanted—A good cook would like a situation in a private family. Can be found at 167 Clark-st., 3d floor, Room 2.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a lady of refinement and experience, as governess in a family where music and French are taught. Address "M. L. C." Tribune office.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a good girl, to do housework in a small family. Can be found at 167 Clark-st., 3d floor, Room 2.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a lady who has had some experience in the millinery business, a situation in a wholesale or retail house. Address "MILLINER," Tribune office.

MALES.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a man who is a clerk or assistant bookkeeper. Is now employed but wishes a change. Address "B. K." Tribune office.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a young man, as clerk or assistant bookkeeper. Is now employed but wishes a change. Address "B. K." Tribune office.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a gentleman, by a young man, as clerk, some kind of a situation where he can learn the business. Address "YAN KEEP," Tribune office.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a man who is a first-class cook, to go to the country. Can satisfy any one in regard to character. Address "COOK," Tribune office.

SITUATION—Wanted—By a thoroughly competent man, as porter in a wholesale house. Address "W. W." Tribune office.

SITUATION—Wanted—As groom and gardener, by a man who can be relied on. Address "W. W." Tribune office.

Agents Wanted.

AGENTS—Wanted—The New Map Weights are the best selling and ever made. Sample sent free on receipt of price—$1. Address, Box 5,067, Chicago, Ill. Also, Agents wanted for the Patent Rubber Type Pocket Pen. Sample sent free on receipt of price—$1. Address, Box 5,067, Chicago, Ill.

AGENTS—Wanted—Agents travelling in the country (work can do with us) will find it to their interest to call at 167 Clark-st., 3d floor, Room 2.

AGENTS—Wanted—Important to agents all within 50 miles of Chicago, to sell the best selling chairs, colored in oils, ornamented, varnished and polished—the only chair that can be thoroughly and satisfactorily warranted. Call at 167 Clark-st., 3d floor, Room 2.

AGENTS—Wanted—For our splendid agent, "Ingraham's Pen ready." The Agent's Prospectus and Specimen Pen sent free on receipt of 25 cents. Address, with the money attached, T. A. PATTERSON, 208 Chestnut-st., Philadelphia, Pa.

AGENTS—Wanted—For THE BLUE AND GRAY, Women in the War, and Dead at the Front; with incidents and incidents in the lives of our Generals, Statesmen, Orators, Divines, Poets, and in the camp and cloister; war has made us all heroes; the whole country is clamoring for it; 1,000 pages, 8 steel portraits; 50 engravings; sells at sight; agents are coining money; 40,000 sold; 100,000 will be sold; for circulars, address JONES BROTHERS & Co., Chicago, Ill.

AGENTS—Wanted—Male and female, for all, to sell Dr. Scott's Electric Corset and Skirt Brace for Ladies and Misses to fit. Call at 167 Clark-st., 3d floor, Room 2.

AGENTS—Wanted—For "BEYOND THE LINES," a book for Soldiers and Sailors, their Families and Sympathizers, from the great Army to the Army of Liberty. Agents wanted everywhere. Soldiers ready to enlist by the day of week will find it to their interest to call at 167 Clark-st., 3d floor, Room 2. Address, with stamp, for circulars, NATIONAL PUBLISHING CO., Chicago, Ill.

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AGENTS—Wanted—By a young man, who has been successfully employed in the presentations taken by the Freedmen's Bureau, a situation where he can travel or solicit orders. Can furnish the best of reference upon the part of the freedmen. Is willing to use that freedom does not mean idleness.

AGENTS—Wanted—On the West Side, who complain of the cost of living for themselves and the cost in a small extent of their families, to call at 167 Clark-st., 3d floor, Room 2, and see the Improved Wringer and Washer. It does the work in one minute. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Reel. Also, the Improved Ironing Table. Also, the Improved Clothes Pin. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Prop. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Stretcher. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Fastener. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Tightener. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Holder. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Hook. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Eye. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Ring. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Pulley. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Wheel. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Axle. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Bearing. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Frame. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Post. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Base. Also, the Improved Clothes Line Stand. 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The Lake Front.

We have never been very sanguine that the city of Chicago would acquire the title to the submerged land lying on the east front of the city, which will some day constitute our future harbor. A great city is a great goose, always ready to be plucked by any loafer whose nest needs feathering. You may ride a community of their aggregate rights in ten million dollars' worth of property which you could not by any possible device cheat one individual of the whole number out of the value of a postage stamp.

To illustrate our meaning. Last winter certain parties went to Springfield with two or three cunningly devised bills to steal the ground planted with the lake basin, and to take away from the public the entire lake front outside of the breakwater, from the north of the river to Twenty-second street—a distance of two and a quarter miles. One of these bills actually passed one branch of the Legislature, and would have passed both in the House had not its secret character been accidentally discovered. Such a bill may be put through at any session, in the common mode of transit, and officially will be in the hands of some weeks after the Legislature adjourns and the mischief is beyond repair. Whether such a bill could actually vest the title to the property in the thieves, may be an open question. It is sufficient for our purpose that they think it would.

To prevent such a calamity, it is proposed to give the control of the bill giving the title to the city. Such a proceeding would at least render it more difficult for the light-fingered tribe to work their game. It would probably block their game forever. While the matter is under consideration in the Council, some person who has his pocket-pieces to be whole by keep his eyes open, and not be so easily led by the nose as to be induced to be stripped up in the fashion attempted last winter at Springfield, rush around town with a remonstrance stating that whereas the legislature has no right to be kept open for purposes of, ventilation, or other—that! Why, that is another Jo Bill exactly in the position which it would be in if the Council were surreptitiously whisked out of the possession of the city and closed up with desks, watch-cases, breakfasts, pocket-books and pocket-handkerchiefs, not even have the paupers to curse and count. The signers of the remonstrance are, of course, numerous. If it had been a public park that the city proposed to take from a Shepard with the title to the lake basin and everything east of it, it would probably have been signed with equal alacrity and unanimity. Very often, they do idle rather that take what they can get; so other times they starve because they cannot get work at the wages which they think how little the nation understands how to organize and utilize its industrial resources. In point of respectability, sense and nobleness, the average citizen in England is decidedly below the level of the poorer classes in continental countries.

The list of the middle and upper ranks is hardly less unsatisfactory and unworthy. They live to be rich, and with riches purchase only luxury, which fails to make life enjoyable and bright. An increasing disinclination to marriage among the upper and upper middle ranks is almost peculiar to Great Britain among European nations. Female celibacy is growing alarmingly common, at least in the higher ranks. While not more than four or five per cent would remain unwedded, in a thoroughly natural, sound, healthy social condition, twenty-seven per cent of all adult women, and thirty-nine per cent of women of marrying ages—between twenty and forty—are spinsters. The lives of these women are empty, or are filled with expensive and unsatisfying pleasure. In despair of, attracting the other sex, the dowdy imitates and apes the mode in the demi-monde. Excess of luxury has wrought this; men cannot spend money as they do, and also support a wife. So they prefer the latter course, and give a mistress the place from which the wife is excluded.

This indictment against English civilization does not, say the reviewers, touch upon army and navy mismanagement, mal-administration and incapacity; upon the wide and disgusting field of workhouse abuses; upon the prevalent vice of drunkenness; upon the frivolous literature of England; upon "our weak and divided churches playing feebly with the great problems of the age;" upon the failure to find an expedient of a far more eminent description, which the law has either has not found it possible, or has not happened to find out.

In all the other transactions of life, the law takes it for granted that a sane man is capable of managing his own private affairs, and does not give them away, or lend his house, his store or his lands at any per cent he pleases, without let or hindrance. Why should the legislature step in when the owner of wheat or his block of buildings, or his manufactory, sells him all he possibly can? He may even refuse a loan to a friend, and make any profit or rate per cent on capital the bottom can support, or carve upon it the uttermost farthing he can. He may keep his money lying idle, if he chooses, or withdraw it from circulation if odious. The moment he wishes to use his money, or to lend it to another person, the law steps in and says that the prosperity and appearance of the whole community depends upon the money being kept in circulation, and that the owner must not withdraw it from circulation. It would not be a much greater absurdity for the government to say that the owner of a farm must not let it lie fallow, or that the owner of a house must not shut it up and keep it empty.

The Repeal of the Usury Laws.

The recommendation of the Boston Commercial Convention that Congress should supersede the usury laws of the several States, establishing 6 per cent as the uniform rate of interest where no different contract is made, and authorizing written contracts to be made at any rate upon which the parties may agree, is based upon sound political economy, and was one of the most important acts of the convention. Not only the theories of the political economists, but the actual experience under the laws of supply and demand, have taught this lesson more positively, perhaps, than any other—that legislative restrictions on money of contracts, or legislative dictation to a lender, limiting the profit he may derive from the investment of his capital in the particular form of investment he may seriously clog the channels of business, but always results in detriment to the borrower. The aggregations imposed by usury laws, and the different course of them in commercial crises, forced their repeal in England, in 1854. Massachusetts and Rhode Island, two of the heaviest manufacturing States in the Union, have recently passed laws similar in substance to the recommendation of the Boston Convention, by which parties are left free to agree upon any rate of interest, just as they agree upon anything else.

Usury laws as they now exist are, on a great extent inoperative, as every man engaged in business transactions knows. They tend to encourage, or rather create a class of lenders who are ready to accept those terms imposed by necessity, and which the borrower is not unwilling to submit to, but which the city can acquire a title.

In the third place, Mr. Shepard is careful to declare within his proposed purchase and to demand a satisfactory title to the same, a strip of land in Fort Dearborn Addition, which was dedicated to the public on the original plat of said addition, and which he knows the city cannot convey.

In the first place, the ground which Mr. Shepard proposes to buy is not bounded on the east by an old, unless by the centre of Lake Michigan.

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If the proposal addressed by H. M. Shepard, Esq., to the Common Council, offering to pay the sum of seventy-five dollars per front foot of ground near the foot of Randolph street, is as great a curiosity in its way as the Shaking Park Bill of Senator Allen, introduced into the legislature last winter, and which covered the same pieces of ground and about ten times more.

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A few of the conclusions I attempted to send by telegraph; but the absence of the finale rendered them unintelligible. I will endeavor gradually that I sum up the recommendations of the Convention.

Article First. Hon. Ashburton, Duchess of Sutherland, Thomas Hughes and others present.

Article Second. Wine, Fall 8 Fine, St. Lawrence, Perry Dunnell, Red Rongault, Wilson Brothers, Hamilton Brothers, Ed. Hall, Jr., and in distribution from South's Cider, of Jim Fisk, Jr., Gould, Tweed, Sweeny, Connolly, Barnard and Yellow Goldbeater, Rankin Jones, Fogg and Northern Pacific.

Article Third. Hon. Thomas Fall Queen, Bon Bertie Tuesday, Carolina Reed, Hon. Thomas Fall and Prairie du Chien Railroads, which was a great bone of contention last session.

Article Fourth. Hon. Thomas Constitutional amendment authorizing the State to contract a debt to relieve the city of Chicago to the extent of $5,000 a mile, claim that they are among strangers.

Recent accidents on railroads have turned attention to the subject of better protection for the security of railroads, and a bill has passed the Senate to prohibit the locking of the doors of passenger cars while in motion, and the use of kerosene for lighting.

The Assembly will probably act on the bill so as to require additional safeguards in heating cars.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

The copies of the Governor's message have not yet been ordered. The Democrats, who used to spend thousands on thousands of dollars for printing and binding documents, have changed their tune, and are now economical. They are in favor of economy, that is, of economy in other men's pockets. There are certain classes of risks which are, and have been for the past ten years, good risks for capital to take. Fire insurance companies have been paying from 50 to 100 per cent profit to insurance companies of three hundred dollars per month. It is quite time that the people of the State had begun to look after the public purse and with the Governor's message, which is ought to be by our republican friends in the Legislature, to see that the public money is not squandered by the Democrats. Every man who is willing to lend money to him, by their no being permitted to receive the rate of interest which would be profitable to the lender, and which the borrower could afford to pay.

The Court House square business has progressed to the ratification of the contracts and examination of plans for a new building, for additional wings, and for supplemental fireproof offices, for which an appropriation has been adopted. The county officers very justly think that if there be a new wing erected, it will be a shame to have them in one or the other fronts of the square, that will furnish a fire-proof hall of records, it will afford a safe place for the records of the county, and, postpone, until a more favorable time, the expenditure for a new building for county offices.

The public will be gratified to learn that the Hon. John Wentworth has recovered from his late accident sufficiently to resume his editorial duties. He is also pleased to state that Mr. Judd is unwilling to cooperate with the city authorities in procuring the title to a large and valuable property which they do not now own, and which is the property of developing facilities for the business of the locality, and is likely to be largely enjoyed at any succeeding generation. Mr. Judd, and others, to make the property valuable for leasing himself with the interests of individuals.

A movement is maturing to have a national convention at which and to represent what are called the industrial interests of the United States. A Washington despatch says that "the object of the convention is not to organize any political, as well as material, it being the intent to place the government and its policy under the control of the people. Of course the convention will be called under the auspices of the Democratic party, and the nomination for candidates for President and Vice President, to represent the interests or production, will, of course, be the nominees of the Democratic party. The convention is to be constituted at in this latest proposition, and the delegates will represent the States in any more a producer than another class, which the latter is composed of more traders, a proposition which will be satisfactory to the Democratic party, just to the extent that he pleases.

The Boston Journal says that a letter has been received from Hon. Reverdy Johnson, our Minister to Calais, giving the details of the attack upon the steamer Fenian Ram in the recently passed laws similar in substance to the Government, showing that he intended to resign his mission, and return home. Of course the city ought to obtain for the ground which the railroads desire to buy the largest price which can be obtained, the ground to be used for railroad purposes.

Governor Dickinson and Colonel Cumming, Treasury Agent, have left the head navy yard, and Dixon as the head keeper.

Miscellaneous. Hon. Wilson's second Agricultural Bill, Russell's Profile, fourth, Bull's Head Tea, Hon. Thomas Fall Queen, Bon Bertie Tuesday, Carolina Reed, Hon. Thomas Fall and Prairie du Chien Railroads, which was a great bone of contention last session.

The friends of the proposed

county, not less shocking in its detail, if conjecture be well founded, than the case we have cited. The facts are briefly these: It is a little farm in what is known as John's Lake Lock, in Benton Township, Monmouth county, on the canal, lived an old farmer and his wife, both of them sixty years of age—maybe more. The old couple have owned the property for years, and the woman seems to have been suspected of having a passion for drink.

A son, a daughter-in-law, on two occasions, fearful of the result of some of the latter's frequent fits of passion, bidden away without the old lady's knowledge by the house in the latter part of August last, the old man's home was broken up. The son sold the farm and other property, at public sale, and disposed of the same September 10 on a Tuesday. He wanted an assistant in the sale, and sent for a young man named James Bowen to act in that capacity. The young man arrived at the farm on Sunday afternoon previous to the Tuesday appointment for the sale. The old farmer was not bodily well, and was found lying out of doors in the morning vomiting. He had not been well for some days. A week or so before, the young man, living with him, took of breakfast as usual one morning, the old man not having much appetite, and offering to join them in the meal. Immediately after breakfast the old man was taken with vomiting. The old man was, consequently, not well for some days, and sent for a boy to help him do his chores. The first time the boy ate breakfast with him he was also attacked with vomiting. The old man was also visited by a return of his former trouble. On the Sunday of the arrival of young Bowen the old lady had got up a dinner of chicken, the old man, however, was too ill to eat. The boy ate a hearty dinner, eating heartily of the chicken and pie that stood on the table, both of which were attacked with vomiting and violent pains a short time after he had eaten them. In Friday, one of the best physicians in this part of the State, knew of the events, learned, but he was powerless to help those deceased. Finally, the old man, being possibly the strongest of the three, lingered on a few days, attacking every one except his wife communicated to her. On the Sunday after he is addicted to throw away all the food that still remained in the house, and began with a new supply. He went to the house of a friend, among other things, into his bag, with food, and, unknown to himself, carried with him that fatal bag was dead, and also half of the lemon-cake that had been calling the breast-bone away.

No investigation was made, however, and the matter would have been forgotten, but for the action of the Legislature in taking the case in charge. Accordingly, the bodies were taken from the graves, and with which we are unacquainted, the body of young Bowen was exhumed and examined. The examination was made by Dr. Hendrickson, of Freehold, assisted by Dr. Hunt, of Matawan, and Dr. Wm. Parker, of Keyport. The examination was made in the presence of the Grand Jury, and lasted from 10 A. M. until 4 P. M. The stomach, liver, and portions of the intestines were taken from the bodies, and submitted to Professor Cook, of the Agricultural College, and also to the Chemical Department of the University of New Jersey.

PARISIAN GAYETIES.

The Second Ball of the Season at the Tuileries—Eugenie's Dress and Diamonds—American Ladies Presented—Their Toilets at Court—French Celebrities—The Belle of the Season—A New Waltz—New Styles.

[Correspondence of the New York Herald.]

The second ball at the Tuileries took place on Wednesday and was far more brilliant than the first, on the 14th inst., as about four thousand invitations were issued. Three to four hundred guests only attended.

The Empress' toilet on this night before last was very simple but successful. It consisted of a white satin dress, with a rose-colored silk, the overskirt of which was trimmed with magnificent white lace, and the bodice and color shoulders and arms a magnificent set of diamonds and emeralds to the tiara and set of the latter, which was in the form of a crown with tulle, interspersed with gold and jewels. Some diamonds and emeralds also took the worn one of the new gold ornaments consisting of a gold chain, with many rows of chains at the back, and a shower of gold drops in front.

The Emperor wore the uniform of Colonel-in-Chief of the 2d and the suit of his dress was studded with diamonds, and he talked long with the Prince de Metternich. Mr. de Persigny was also conspicuous on his left. Every production on the law of the press, of which we shall hear more. The following are the names and titles of some of the ladies who were presented to the Emperor and Empress at the first ball of the season. I have selected from the number those who were most fashionable. The description of these splendid, simple recognitions of each by a few as my name is pronounced by General Fleury.

Mrs. Blake, in a white tulle robe trimmed with black lace flounces, and a train of the New York shade in white, covered with point d'Alencon, of which she is very fond, dressed with wavy grass and wreathed magnificent diamond ornaments. Mrs. Duncan, of New York, in a white satin dress, with train and a low fashioned lonely scarlet velvet sash, with diamonds in the hair and on the neck.

Mrs. Hopkinson, of Philadelphia, in white satin and tulle puffings, with flounces, a pointlace and white velvet sash. Miss Lippincott, of Philadelphia, in white tulle over a under of white satin, white tulle on the skirt, with flounces of the same, and a train of white satin, with two flounces of tulle. Miss Lippincott is a blonde of the most delicate order. Mrs. Faudon, of Chicago, in white satin and pearl ornaments. Miss Wilson, of Philadelphia, in white tulle skirt, with Miss Paine, of Boston, in a white tulle skirt and train, with flounces of the same, and white green sash. The latter, as described, was simply exquisite. The dress was of white tulle over white satin, with flounces of the same, and trimmed with one of the deepest of the pearly fringes.

Mrs. Paulding and Miss Watkins, in low dress, with trains, and Miss Watkins in a white tulle skirt, with flounces of the same, and a train in front very exceptionally and long at the back. Both these ladies were very much admired, but for a time, from the fact that Miss Watkins was a stranger to the Court, and had just arrived in Paris.

Princesse Mathilde wore white tulle over white satin, with flounces of the same, and trimmed with point d'Alencon. Princesse Metternich was in pink, with pink flounces of tulle, and a train of the same, and a most magnificent diamond tiara, of which the bright gems were most admired of the evening. The wife of Minister Hamlin was in white tulle over white satin, with flounces of the same, and a train of the same, and a Princess, whose name I could not learn, in white tulle over white satin, with flounces of the same, and a train of the same, and a tiara of diamonds and pearls.

Madame de Morny, the widow of Duke de Morny, was present, and looked very well. She has given up her mourning, and is about to enter in a manner somewhat different with the richest grandeur of the Court.

Miss Adeline Patti's proposed return with Mr. Strakosch to the United States is the talk of the day.

Lady Tempest Vane is the beauty of the season.

Diamonds of Consequence is the name of the new comedy which is to be produced by Mr. Fechter at the Lyceum Theatre, London, on Thursday next.

Rumors are rife in Paris that the Empress Eugenie will not appear in public for a long time, having cruelly cut off pockets made under the skirts of her dresses.

The Emperor's health is improving daily. He has taken to riding out in the Bois de Boulogne, and the Empress drives out in the open carriage.

Mme. de Persigny, the Empress's confidante, is about to leave Paris for the Pyrenees, where she will spend the winter.

THE KUKLUX KLAN.

An Organized Army of Guerillas in Tennessee.

Nashville Press, 7th.

In the Senate, to-day, petitions were presented from Giles, Lincoln, Bedford, Maury, Marshall, Rutherford, Wilson, Sumner, Davidson, Robertson, Montgomery, Dickson, Hickman, Williamson, Coffee, Franklin, Warren, Grundy, Van Buren, Cannon, Rhea, Meigs, Bradley, Polk, Hamilton, Marion, Sequatchie, Hamblen, Jefferson, Sevier, Blount, Knox, Anderson, Roane, Morgan, Campbell, Scott, Fentress, Overton, Putnam, White, Smith, Jackson, Macon, Clay, Trousdale, Sumner, Wilson

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THE CITY.

TURKISH.—Ole Bull, Henry Vincent, Hon. Newton Bateman, Assistant General Hamlin, and Hon. R. J. Van Brunt, Secretary of Ohio, are stopping at the Tremont House.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—A meeting of the Chicago Horticultural Society will be held this evening at 7 o'clock, at the Chamber of Commerce. Subject for discussion: The Weather Case as a means of producing forests in our future. The public are invited to be present.

THE ONE DOLLAR SYSTEM.—At No. 151 Dearborn street, Reynold's Block, are endless variety of goods, all to be retailed at one dollar for each article. The stock consists of gold and silver chains, watches, pencils, castors, albums for Photographs, and a full assortment of toy pistols. The public are invited to call and examine the goods.

THOMAS WORTH HAVENS, Architects, builders, and others can obtain lumber, lathe and shingles made of composite, which will not rot, crack or warp, and which are sales easily kept clean that they can be made from any other of the materials. Inquire at the manufactory of the Illinois Composite Board Company, corner of Monroe and Canal streets.

AN ACCIDENT INSURANCE.—George Foster was examined at the Police Court yesterday, charged with having received from Cook, alias "Monroe," an Irish shanty, the property which the latter is said to have stolen, and which was confessed by Foster. Held for trial.

A GREAT SALE OF HOSIERY.—Persons wanting to invest their surplus funds in a profitable manner, will do their advantage to call upon Messrs. Shaw, Tucker & Co., at the Union Store, No. 75 State street, where, on and after this morning, one hundred of the stands of fine, substantial, and desirable goods, which are to be found in the dry goods trade, will be on exhibition and for sale.

A. G. DRAKE & CO.—We learn that the various notices offering their stock of dry goods at low prices previous to a change in the tariff, are made by A. G. Drake & Co., have been responded to by the public beyond all precedent in the history of their business. They desire us to make it known that they will continue their present sale—regardless of tariffs—until the end of the month.

THE WESTERN SEASON.—Large decisions of the Supreme Court of Illinois, rendered from an opportunity of announcing the change in the Supreme Court of Illinois, rendered from an opportunity of announcing the change in the location of the office of Messrs. Dickerson & Hall, from the Sherman House to Jefferson Block, on the North-east corner of Lake street. Here they have increased facilities for the transaction of their extensive and responsible business, and will be found ready to receive their friends.

THE DEARBORN STREET MENAGERIE.—George Trowbridge, proprietor of the Dearborn street menagerie, closed all attraction seems to be a "spotted boy." It strongly had Wm. Hall, E. L. Hall, and George Hall, all of whom, it is alleged, on Wed., charged with threatening to burn out the building unless the proprietor left the city. They were bound over to appear for trial, while the latter was discharged.

PASSENGERS FOR NEW YORK.—At half past 9 o'clock to-day, Thursday, the pawnbroker, will commence selling, at the loan office corner of Clark and Monroe streets, a large assortment of watches, goods redeemed pledges. Buyers will have an opportunity to purchase at their own prices, as all goods will be sold to the highest bidder.

ALLEGED THEFT.—The partners of Lord & Mayhew, Jeweler's supplies, were yesterday charged by the former of defraud by the latter, in the sum of $1,000. The latter, it is alleged, had purchased the stock of goods, and, after paying a small portion of the amount, refused payment. The defendant was arrested in his hotel $500 bail.

WILL BE TRIED.—Peter E. Magee, John H. York and L. B. Worden, charged with receiving stolen goods upon various occasions, were examined before Commissioner Wayne, yesterday. Quite a number of witnesses were examined, and the case of sufficient importance was adjourned. Owing to the absence of one of the witnesses, the case will be continued until this morning. Bonds of $1,000 each were required for appearance.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION LECTURE.—On Thursday evening next Rev. George H. Hepworth, of Boston, will deliver a lecture, in aid of the fund for the Young Men's Association, on "The French Revolution." The character of the revolutionists, the causes which led to it, and the results of the great event will be discussed. Rev. Mr. Hepworth is a graduate of Dickinson College, and has been settled over Dickinson's leading churches. He will deliver his lecture without charge.

CHANGED HIS MIND.—Barlow Allen was examined at the Police Court yesterday, charged with assaulting Miss Anna Klein, living at No. 305 Clark street, whom she had become engaged to marry. It appears that Allen had changed his mind and had engaged to marry another lady. He was held for trial in the sum of $500. The case was continued from Saturday last.

FOR LAST EVENING.—Thursday, from held in No. 74 Huron street, owned by Thomas Hall, and occupied by a German family named Schmidt, was entered by burglars, and robbed of $100 in money and a number of articles of clothing. The burglary was committed between the hours of 5 and 7 o'clock in the evening, while the family were absent from the house. Officer Hall, of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company, arrested two persons, on the charge of committing the burglary. They gave their names as Lewis Weil, Alexander Perkins, 2 Lewis Weil, Alexander Perkins, 2 Lewis Weil, Alexander Perkins, 2